

LOCAL HISTORIC MILLS HOST OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND

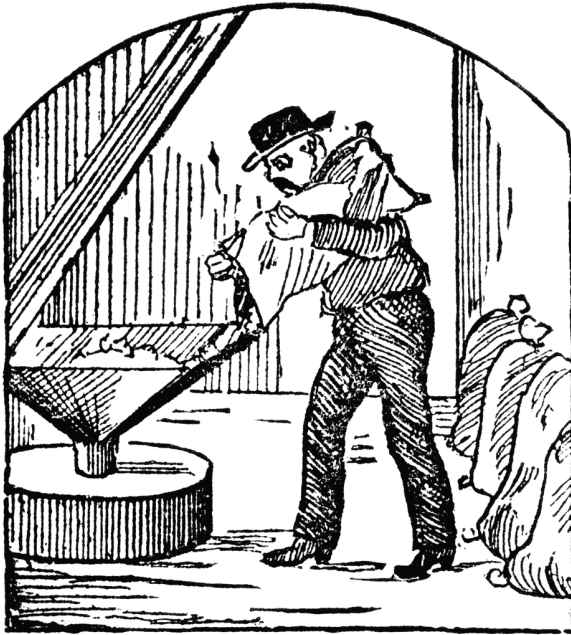


JUNE 12-13, 2021

The mills of & Southern York County PA & Northern Harford County MD will be celebrating the heritage of milling by hosting their sixth area-wide free open house. Each mill has something unique and different to offer regarding the contributions made by mills to our country and region.

The ample water sources in this region have been used since before the beginning of this country to supply the power needed to drive the machinery used to process grain into flour. The water flow from our local streams was also used to power many of our other early industries. York County, PA alone has more than 270 documented mill sites. Several local towns in this area also used water power to provide their first source of electrical generation for their community. Wind was also used to provide power needed to grind grain, pump water and other farm uses.

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Muddy Creek Forks Roller Mills: June 12, 11 AM - 5 PM & June 13, 1 - 5 PM

The village of Muddy Creek Forks, 5 miles south of Brogue on Muddy Creek Forks Road

www.MaAndPaRailroad.com

On a mill site that has been active since the 1750s, the current mill was built in 1847 and enlarged for roller mill equipment in 1890. View the intact equipment used to grind, sift, and bag buckwheat flour; roller mills dating to the 1890s; a middlings purifier; a bran duster; and a flour dresser. Guided tours of the upper floors of the mill will be offered for visitors over 12 who can safely handle steep stairs. The A. M. Grove Store will also be open and motor car trains will run excursion rides through the Muddy Creek Valley.



New Park Wind Engine: June 12, 10 AM - 5 PM & June 13, 1 - 4 PM

290 Woolen Mill Rd near New Park PA—www.NewParkWindEngine.com



This site features two very rare open-g geared Aermotor power mills. The 12 ft. diameter windmill producing 2 horsepower is an example typical of power mills used on more prosperous farms at the turn of the 20th century. A larger 16 ft Aermotor enclosed by an octagonal, 3 story mill building is an extremely rare model built in 1888. These large wind engines were built for milling and farm work requiring more power. The inside workings driven by the windmill are comprised of antique milling and grain handling equipment with belt driven ceiling fans built by Woolen Mill Fan Company.

Eden Mill: June 12, 9 AM - 4 PM & June 13, 1 - 4 PM

1617 Eden Mill Road—EdenMill.org or www.facebook.com/edenmillnaturecenter

This site features the intact dam and 3 generations of milling equipment. The original mill on this location was built in the early 1800's to harness the power provided by Deer Creek. In 1917 a corporation known as The Fawn Grove Light and Power Company bought the mill and converted it into a power plant. The power plant continued to provide electricity to the Fawn Grove and New Park area until 1927. The generators used to provide this electricity still remain in the mill. After the power plant was no longer in use the mill was returned to its original purpose of grinding food products and animal feed.



Wallace-Cross Mill: June 12, 1:30 - 4:30 PM & June 13, 1:30 - 4:30PM

15759 Cross Mill Road, York County, PA—www.YorkCountyParks.org



This site is a rare example of a small, rural, water-powered grain mill with an over shot water wheel constructed in 1826. The mill continued to provide service by grinding grain for the local community until closing in 1979. The restoration focus is the 1950 era; with operating water wheel and milling equipment. There are three floors of interpretive displays and historic artifacts and docents available to guide tours.